



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 1111***

LCO No. 3278

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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***AN ACT CONCERNING LABOR PROVISIONS OF SPECIAL ACT 01-1.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 11 of special act 01-1 is amended  
2 to read as follows (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

3 (a) In carrying out the purposes of [this act] special act 01-1, the  
4 board shall have the following powers, duties and functions:

5 (1) Review and approve or disapprove the city's annual budget,  
6 including, but not limited to, the governmental funds, enterprise  
7 funds, and internal service funds, in accordance with the provisions of  
8 section 12 of [this act] special act 01-1;

9 (2) Review and approve or disapprove an initial financial plan of the  
10 city, in accordance with the provisions of section 12 of [this act] special  
11 act 01-1;

12 (3) Review and approve or disapprove the proposed terms of any  
13 deficit funding bonds or interim funding obligations pursuant to this  
14 act or any other bonds, notes or other obligations of the city;

15       (4) (A) Approve or reject all collective bargaining agreements for a  
16 new term, other than modifications, amendments or reopeners to an  
17 agreement, to be entered into by the city or any of its agencies or  
18 administrative units, including the board of education. If the board  
19 rejects a proposed collective bargaining agreement, the parties to the  
20 agreement will have ten days from the date of the board's rejection to  
21 consider the board's concerns. In rejecting an agreement, the board  
22 shall indicate the specific provisions of the proposed agreement which  
23 caused the rejection, as well as its rationale for the rejection. The board  
24 may, at its option, indicate the total cost impact or savings it would  
25 find acceptable in a new agreement. After the expiration of such ten-  
26 day period, the board shall approve or reject any such agreement. If  
27 the parties have been unable to reach an agreement or the board rejects  
28 such agreement, the board shall set forth the terms of the agreement,  
29 which shall be binding upon the parties. In establishing the terms of  
30 the agreement, as well as in making a determination to reject a  
31 proposed agreement, the parties shall have an opportunity to make a  
32 presentation to the board. The board shall not be limited to  
33 consideration and inclusion in the collective bargaining agreement of  
34 matters raised or negotiated by the parties;

35       (B) Approve or reject all modifications, amendments or reopeners to  
36 collective bargaining agreements entered into by the city or any of its  
37 agencies or administrative units, including the board of education. If  
38 the board rejects a proposed amendment to a collective bargaining  
39 agreement, the parties to the agreement will have ten days from the  
40 date of the board's rejection to consider the board's concerns. In  
41 rejecting an amendment to an agreement, the board shall indicate the  
42 specific provisions of the proposed amendment which caused the  
43 rejection, as well as its rationale for the rejection. The board may, at its  
44 option, indicate the total cost impact or savings it would find  
45 acceptable in a new amendment. After the expiration of such ten-day  
46 period, the board shall approve or reject any revised amendment. If  
47 the parties have been unable to reach a revised amendment or the  
48 board rejects such revised amendment, the board shall set forth the

49 terms of the new amendment, which shall be binding upon the parties.  
50 In establishing the terms of the new agreement, as well as in making a  
51 determination to reject a proposed amendment, the parties shall have  
52 an opportunity to make a presentation to the board;

53 [(5) With respect to labor contracts in or subject to binding  
54 arbitration, serve as the binding arbitration panel. The board shall have  
55 the power to impose binding arbitration upon the parties any time  
56 after the seventy-fifth day following the commencement of  
57 negotiations. If, upon the effective date of this act, the parties are in  
58 binding arbitration, the board shall immediately replace any  
59 established binding arbitration panel. The time limits in the applicable  
60 provisions of the general statutes or any public or special acts  
61 governing binding arbitration shall be reduced by one-half. The board  
62 shall not be limited to consideration and inclusion in the collective  
63 bargaining agreement of the last best offers or the matters raised by or  
64 negotiated by the parties;]

65 [(6)] (5) Review and approve or disapprove any contract and any  
66 renewal, extension or modification thereof not covered by collective  
67 bargaining contemplating the expenditure in either the current or any  
68 future fiscal year of more than fifty thousand dollars and shall have the  
69 power to set aside any contracts which have not been authorized in  
70 accordance with the requirements of any state or local law;

71 [(7)] (6) Review and approve all bond ordinances and bond  
72 resolutions of the city;

73 [(8)] (7) Approve transfers of appropriations made by the Board of  
74 Aldermen;

75 [(9)] (8) Appoint one or more independent auditors as such term is  
76 defined in section 7-391 of the general statutes for the purpose of  
77 meeting the requirements of chapter 111 of the general statutes;

78 [(10)] (9) Audit compliance with the financial plan and the annual

79 budget in such areas as the board shall determine;

80 [(11)] (10) Require the city to implement such measures relating to  
81 the efficiency and productivity of the city's operations and  
82 management as the board deems appropriate to reduce costs and  
83 improve services so as to advance the purposes of [this act] special act  
84 01-1;

85 [(12)] (11) Obtain information on the financial condition and needs  
86 of the city, provided nothing in this subdivision shall diminish the  
87 powers of the mayor, the finance director, the Board of Aldermen or  
88 any other board, agency or authority of the city otherwise provided by  
89 law;

90 [(13)] (12) Monitor compliance with, require implementation or  
91 implement the provisions governing revaluation set forth in section 12-  
92 62 of the general statutes;

93 [(14)] (13) Monitor the funding of pension contributions in  
94 accordance with actuarial recommendations;

95 [(15)] (14) Approve or disapprove the chief negotiator for the city for  
96 the purposes of collective bargaining and, in the case of disapproval,  
97 the board may appoint such negotiator;

98 [(16)] (15) Study the city's unfunded pension liability and, not later  
99 than two years from [the effective date of this act] March 9, 2003,  
100 report to the Governor and the General Assembly recommendations  
101 on addressing the unfunded liability which report shall be in  
102 accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes; and

103 [(17)] (16) Report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or  
104 before July 1, 2001, and every six months thereafter, regarding the  
105 fiscal condition of the city and compliance with [this act] special act 01-  
106 1, which report shall be in accordance with section 11-4a of the general  
107 statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	SA 01-1, (a) Sec. 11
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To eliminate provisions pertaining to labor contracts in special act 01-1.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*